

Leknes-Gravdal, Lofoten Islands, Norway

Gravdal port is brutally honest about itself — an industrial quay with nothing to walk to. But rent a car or join a tour and you're minutes from Lofoten's jaw-dropping white-sand beaches, dramatic peaks, and Europe's largest Viking longhouse.

-  Pier or Tender (ship-size dependent)
-  Typical call: 7–10 hrs
-  Norwegian Krone (NOK) — cards accepted everywhere
-  Norwegian / English widely spoken
-  Car rental essential for independent exploration

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date:	Arrive:	All aboard:
Excursion:	Notes:	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier for ships ≤230 m; larger ships tender to Gravdal harbour pontoon

Best For: Beaches, hiking, Viking history, Arctic photography

Walk to center: Gravdal village: 10–15 min; Leknes town: 4 km (45 min, not recommended)

Don't Miss: Haukland Beach (Europe's most beautiful) and Lofotr Viking Museum

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  NOK 250 (~\$23) to Leknes center ·  **Rideshare**  not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Haukland & Uttakleiv Beaches** — Two of Lofoten's most iconic beaches sit back-to-back connected by a tunnel.
- Lofotr Viking Museum (Borg)** — The largest reconstructed Viking longhouse ever discovered, 15 km north of Leknes.
- Nusfjord Historic Fishing Village** — One of Norway's oldest and best-preserved fishing villages.
- Hiking Holandsmelen or Offerøyfjellet** — Holandsmelen is a moderate 2–3 hour hike yielding 360° views of the coast and beaches.
- Ramberg & Skagsanden Beaches** — Wide white-sand beaches on the south coast backed by dramatic peaks.

BEST WALKS

- Pier to Buksnes Church** 1.5 km each way · 20 min · Easy · Free — A flat walk from the pier into Gravdal village leads to the striking red Buksnes Church (1905), built in the Norse Dragon Style.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 5:13AM–9:00PM · Aug 4:24AM–9:51PM · Sep 6:22AM–7:36PM · Oct 8:11AM–5:29PM	
Apr	40°	34°	14d		
Jun	53°	46°	12d		
Aug	58°	51°	14d		
Sep	53°	48°	15d		
Oct	45°	41°	16d		

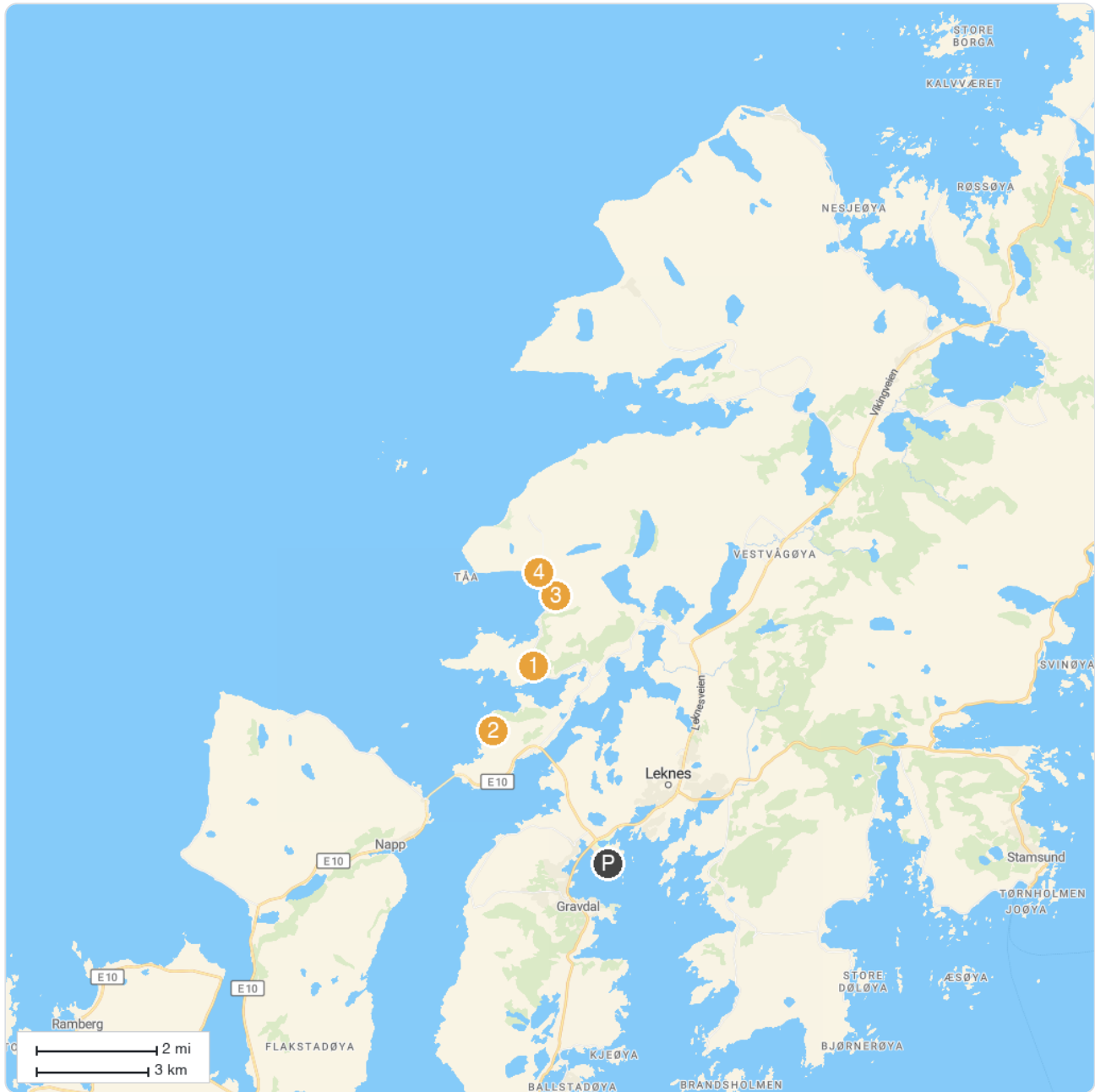
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book a rental car months in advance. Lofoten has very few vehicles and they sell out fast. Without wheels, you're limited to expensive shore excursions or a disappointing day in...
- Layer up and bring waterproofs. Lofoten weather is notoriously changeable — sun, rain, wind, and fog can all appear within an hour. Arctic-weight layers are wise even in summer.
- Norway is essentially cashless. Cards (Visa/Mastercard) are accepted everywhere — buses, toilets, market stalls, museums. You

Leknes-Gravdal, Lofoten Islands, Norway — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Holandsmelen Parking | Parking for the scenic Holandsmelen hike. | 2 Offersøykammen | Hike to a peak for panoramic Lofoten views. |
| 3 Vik Strand | A beautiful white sand beach with stunning views. | 4 Haukland Beach | Stunning white sand beach, often called Norway's best. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |